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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 13, and 28 without prejudice.

Please replace claims 1, 2, 6, 11, 12, 18, 19, 21, 26, and 29 with amended claims 1, 2, 6, 11, 12, 18, 19, 21, 26, and 29 as shown below. For convenience, a full set of pending claims is shown below.

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--1. (Amended) A method for delivering a pharmaceutical composition comprising a nucleic acid to a tissue site, comprising the steps of:
providing a gene delivery device comprising a contact surface;
applying said pharmaceutical composition to said contact surface; and
contacting said contact surface to said tissue site, wherein said contacting is by moving said contact surface across said tissue site.

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